

State of Arizona **Department of Education**

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Superintendent of Public Instruction

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program Family Daycare Home Sponsors

FROM: Mary Szafranski, Deputy Associate Superintendent

Arizona Department of Education, Health and Nutrition Services

Original Signed

Melissa Conner, Director

Child and Adult Care Food Program

DATE: March 20, 2009

SUBJECT: Transfer of Data Related to the Child and Adult Care Food Program and the Food

Stamp Program

On September 1, 2004, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) published an interim rule, "Child and Adult Care Food Program; Improving Management and Program Integrity" (69 FR 53502). This memorandum explains a provision in that rule requiring State agencies that administer the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) to share information with State agencies that administer the Food Stamp Program (FSP), effective April 1, 2005.

The September interim rule amends $\S226.6(f)(1)$ of the CACFP regulations. Under this rule, Arizona Department of Education, CACFP must:

- Annually collect from each sponsoring organization of day care home providers, a list of providers receiving CACFP Tier I benefits on the basis of their participation in the FSP: and
- Within thirty days of receiving a list, provide the list to Department of Economic Security, Food Stamp Program.

These lists will be used to verify whether providers have submitted household income data, as required. The eligibility of a provider for Tier I benefits may be examined if the Department of Economic Security, Food Stamp Program determines that the provider failed to submit complete household income data. However, the inclusion of a provider on this list does not suggest, in and of itself, noncompliant activity by the provider.

The collection of personal data from a provider occurs under a presumption of confidentiality. However, this presumption does not mean that a provider's Program eligibility will not be reviewed for accuracy by appropriate State and Federal officials.

Please provide a list of the identified providers to Barb Simington by April 10, 2009. Include the provider's name, address and birth date.

Please feel free to contact your program specialist if you have further questions.